

Dairy Systems Outreach Internship: Summer 2014 W.K. Kellogg Biological Station

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Dairy Systems Outreach Interns 2 positions

The W.K. Kellogg Biological Stations Pasture Dairy Center integrates automatic milking technology with pasture-based management, and research on sustainable agriculture practices that support the needs of small and mid-sized dairy producers. The Pasture Dairy Center provides educational programming for producers and educators through workshops and field days throughout the year and offers open house events in the summer to increase public understanding of pasture dairy production systems. More information about research, educational and outreach programs at the Pasture Dairy Center can be found at pasturedairy.kbs.msu.edu/

Internships:

Two part-time (20hours/week) internships will be offered at the KBS Pasture Dairy Center in the summer of 2014. Both internships will focus on developing outreach and educational materials to share research on pasture dairy systems and increase public understanding of how these systems are impacted by climate change. Both positions are paid (~\$10/hour). MSU students qualify for KBS housing and tuition scholarship for KBS 2014 summer course

Primary Duties:

The primary responsibilities of the KBS Dairy Systems Outreach interns will be to assist with producing education and outreach materials describing research on dairy systems and climate change and to assist with public open houses events, maintain the forage and biofuels garden and assist farm staff.

Expectations and Eligibility:

Applicants from MSU will be given priority but non-MSU students are encouraged to apply.

- Interest in sustainable agriculture, dairy production and/or ecology of managed systems;
- Strong communication (written and verbal) and interpersonal skills,
- Good organizational skills
- Ability to work independently.
- Familiarity with Microsoft office, Publisher (or similar software)

Preferred experience:

Experience working with farm animals desired, but not necessary. Experience in creating materials for web (including video) Desired, Valid driver's license.

Application timeline:

Open until March 1^{st,} 2014

selected interns will be notified as soon as possible, but no later than April 1th 2014.

Apply at: https://kbsmsu.wufoo.com/forms/kbs-summer-2014-intern-application/

Start date:

10 week: Dairy Systems Intern: starting May 19th 2014; (ending late July)

14 week: Dairy Systems Intern: starting May 19th 2014; (ending mid-late August). There may be an opportunity to extend this

internship into the fall semester.

Compensation and Housing:

We have designated housing available for Interns on KBS property. Housing costs \$75/wk. Local students can commute from home.

Additionally Michigan State University students that live in residence and take a <u>KBS Summer Course</u>, receive a \$1,000 scholarship that can be used towards KBS housing and tuition.

10 week Dairy Systems Intern; 20 hrs/wk., Stipend of \$2000 (or \$10/hr.) 14 week Dairy Systems Intern; 20 hrs/wk., Stipend of \$2800 (or \$10/hr.)